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Mr. Holliday H. Obrecht II USDI Fish and Wildlife Service Patuxent Research Refuge Laurel, MD 20708-4036

Dear Holly:

On June 16, 2009, I conducted an aerial detection survey for gypsy moth-caused tree defoliation at Patuxent Research Refuge. I am pleased to report that no defoliation was detected at, or in the vicinity of, your site.

However, if you anticipate requesting either financial or technical assistance for gypsy moth control in 2010, please contact Brad Onken (304) 285-1546 or me (304) 285-1555 before August 21, 2009.

Please contact me at the above number if you have any questions regarding this aerial survey letter.

Sincerely,

RODNEY L. WHITEMAN

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